

General Assembly

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Referred to Committee on PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT

Introduced by: (PD)

AN ACT CONCERNING GROWTH-RELATED PROJECTS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1 Section 1. Subsection (a) of section 16a-35c of the 2014 supplement to
- 2 the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu
- 3 thereof (*Effective October 1, 2014*):
- 4 (a) As used in this section and sections 16a-35d to 16a-35g, inclusive:
- 5 (1) "Funding" includes any form of assurance, guarantee, grant
- 6 payment, credit, tax credit or other assistance, including a loan, loan
- 7 guarantee, or reduction in the principal obligation of or rate of interest
- 8 payable on a loan or a portion of a loan;
- 9 (2) "Growth-related project" means any project [which] that includes
- 10 (A) the acquisition of real property when the acquisition costs are in
- 11 excess of [one] two hundred thousand dollars, except the acquisition of
- 12 open space for the purposes of conservation or preservation; (B) the
- development or improvement of real property when the development
- 14 costs are in excess of [one] two hundred thousand dollars; (C) the

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15 acquisition of public transportation equipment or facilities when the 16 acquisition costs are in excess of [one] two hundred thousand dollars; 17 or (D) the authorization of each state grant, any application for which 18 is not pending on July 1, 2006, for an amount in excess of [one] two 19 hundred thousand dollars, for the acquisition or development or 20 improvement of real property or for the acquisition of public 21 transportation equipment or facilities, except the following: (i) Projects 22 for maintenance, repair [, additions] or renovations to existing 23 facilities, acquisition of land for telecommunications towers whose 24 primary purpose is public safety, parks, conservation and open space, 25 and acquisition of agricultural, conservation and historic easements; 26 (ii) funding by the Department of Housing for any project financed 27 with federal funds used to purchase or rehabilitate existing single or 28 multi-family housing or projects financed with the proceeds of revenue 29 bonds if the Commissioner of Housing determines that application of 30 this section and sections 16a-35d and 16a-35e (I) conflicts with any 31 provision of federal or state law applicable to the issuance or tax-32 exempt status of the bonds or any provision of any trust agreement 33 between the Department of Housing and any trustee, or (II) would 34 otherwise prohibit financing of an existing project or financing 35 provided to cure or prevent any default under existing financing; (iii) 36 projects that the Commissioner of Housing determines promote fair 37 housing choice and racial and economic integration as described in 38 section 8-37cc; (iv) projects at an existing facility needed to comply 39 with state environmental or health laws or regulations adopted 40 thereunder; (v) school construction projects funded by the Department 41 of Education under chapter 173; (vi) libraries; (vii) municipally owned 42 property or public buildings used for government purposes; and (viii) 43 any other project, funding or other state assistance not included under 44 subparagraphs (A) to (D), inclusive, of this subdivision.

(3) "Priority funding area" means the area of the state designated under subsection (b) of this section.

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| This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following |
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| sections: |

| Section 1 | October 1, 2014 | 16a-35c(a) |
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Statement of Purpose:

To amend the definition of "growth-related project".

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]

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